



Governor
Bobby Jindal

Proclamation

- WHEREAS, throughout Louisiana's history, severe weather has affected the state, leading to the loss of life and property; and
- WHEREAS, severe weather includes thunderstorms, floods and tornadoes, which bring with them strong winds and heavy rainfall, and may cause power outages, damage or destroy homes, businesses, schools and other public buildings and force residents to evacuate from an area; and
- WHEREAS, natural hazards often strike with little or no notice, leaving Louisiana residents with a short amount of time to take action to protect themselves and those around them; and
- WHEREAS, there are simple steps Louisiana residents can take to stay safe before severe weather strikes, including becoming informed about risks associated with natural hazards, creating an emergency kit and performing basic home maintenance and mitigation tasks; and
- WHEREAS, Louisiana residents should consider any special or medical needs their family members have and plan for how to meet these needs during a storm, a power outage or weather-related evacuation; and
- WHEREAS, natural hazards that strike Louisiana also affect business and industrial operations and assets; and
- WHEREAS, all Louisiana residents should have a game plan for how to protect themselves, their families and their homes from the different severe weather hazards that may affect their communities; and
- WHEREAS, all Louisiana businesses should have a game plan for how to respond to severe weather, safeguard their facilities and communicate with and protect their employees; and
- WHEREAS, the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness and the National Weather Service, working together with their government, private-sector, nonprofit and media partners, seek to inform members of the public of safety measures they should take to prepare for severe weather; and

NOW, THEREFORE,

I, Bobby Jindal, Governor of the State of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim March 3-9, 2013, as

SEVERE WEATHER AWARENESS WEEK
in the State of Louisiana.

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set
my hand officially and caused to be affixed the
Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the
Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this
the 3rd day of March
A.D., 2012*

Bobby Jindal
Governor of Louisiana



Attest By
The Governor

Michael B. Ford
Secretary of State